

# THE CITY OF MOMENCE

Momence, IL 60954

MICK PORTER, Mayor  
JENENE HENSON, Clerk  
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## ALDERMEN

Sean Prophet	Richard Kupferer
Bonnie Straley	David Cook
Nova Metz	Mark Lesyna
Charles Steele	Steve Puglise

## MOMENCE CITY COUNCIL Monday, July 18, 2011 Council Meeting

Time: 7:30 P.M.

The City Council Meeting of the City of Momence was held in the Council Chambers at 123 W. River Street, Momence. Mayor Mick Porter called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the Clerk with Aldermen Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise present. Also present were Mayor Mick Porter and City Attorney Greg Mathews. Alderman Kupferer was absent.

### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Alderman Cook made a motion to approve the Regular and Executive Session minutes of the July 5, 2011, Council Meeting as presented. Alderman Prophet seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Metz passed.

### APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Alderman Straley added a bill from Ancel, Glink and Diamond for legal services in the amount of \$5,952.65. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the bills for payment including the bill added for legal services. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

### CITIZEN FORUM

Jennifer Workman asked for permission for the VFW to sell poppies that benefit the veterans. They will be at the intersections of Rt. 1/17 and Dixie Highway (by Shell), and at Washington and Dixie Highway and also will have a couple people sitting near the entrance of the foot bridge at Island Park from 9A.M.-1P.M. on August 16 during the Gladiolus Festival. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve the VFW to sell poppies at the date, location and time mentioned above. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Mary Toby addressed Council regarding tomahawk road insignia on City streets leading visitors to the schools. The tomahawks would be 4 feet long, it was suggested to use white spray paint (needs to be donated). Mary Toby has both students and adults available to paint. Suggested locations (right side of road) would be from Dixie down Washington Street to the High School, and on Franklin Street in front of the High School and then up River street to Dixie. Dixie down Second street (Kankakee County road) to Junior High and Je Neir Schools. Intervals would be approximately every 25 – 30 feet. Timing needs to be coordinated to have protection for the painters. Alderman Straley made a motion to approve painting of tomahawks at the locations stated above awaiting approval from Kankakee County for Second Street. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS- none

## ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Prophet: Recommendation of the Zoning Committee to allow the property located at 429 East Sixth Street to be rezoned from B-1 Business to R-1 Residential. Parcel was attached to the Spieth's building. Alderman Prophet made a motion to rezone 429 East Sixth Street from B-1 Business to R-1 Residential. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Alderwoman Straley presented Council with the first reading of an ordinance for 3 way stop signs at Willow and Thomas Drive. Alderman Straley called a budget and finance meeting for Monday, August 8 at 6:45PM to discuss bills.

Alderman Straley made a motion to table until next meeting agenda item: Discuss and possibly vote on reimbursement to General Fund from water and sewer funds in regards to Workman's Comp. & Liability Insurance. Alderman Cook seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Alderman Metz stated that she has three personnel items for executive session not to come out and do business.

Alderman Lesyna discussed pool and recreation burning ordinances and will have a first draft for next meeting. Animal ordinance will be reviewed at a later date.

Discuss and vote on Prevailing Wage Ordinance, which is an ordinance of the City of Momence, Kankakee County, Illinois, ascertaining the prevailing rate of wages for laborers, workmen and mechanics employed on public works of said City. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance. Alderman Prophet seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance #715.

Discuss and vote on Fee's and Fine's Ordinance. Changes reflect the additional fees for peddlers license and fines for city park violations. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve an ordinance amending an ordinance concerning the city of Momence's list of fines and fees. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance #716

Discuss and vote on Park's Open and Closing Ordinance. Regarding time limits at city parks, the reasons for change are homeless people sleeping in parks and juvenile problems. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve an ordinance regarding time limits at city parks. Alderman Straley seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Ordinance #717

## DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Mark Nelson stated that they are working on Sycamore Street; it will be blacktopped by the end of next week. He also stated that a bid has been received back on touching up water towers; they are still awaiting more.

TREASURER REPORT – Treasurer Becky Peterson: none

## MAYORAL REPORT

Discuss and vote on transfer of funds concerning 5 North Dixie Hwy. Resolution would be affirming the transfer of funds from the water and sewer accounts to the general fund account in the 2011-2012 fiscal year by the City of Momence. Mayor Porter read the resolution. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve Resolution #149 affirming the transfer of funds from the water and sewer accounts to the general fund account in the 2011-2012 fiscal year by the City of Momence. Alderman Cook seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley,

Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Discuss and vote on appointment of Police Chief. Mayor Porter requested Council approval of the reappointment of Chief Swanson at \$44,000 per year. Authorization needed to sign contract with Kankakee County, same contract as past two years. Grant Park is no longer a part of contract. Police Car provided by Kankakee County. Maintenance is our responsibility. Alderman Lesyna made a motion to approve Mayor Porter's reappointment of Chief Swanson and authorized him to sign contract. Alderman Puglise seconded the motion with Alderman Straley, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Alderman Prophet, Metz and Steele voted no. Motion carried.

Jay Kerouac had one question that was to be discussed during Citizen Forum but was inadvertently left out. He would like to know if there is any way the City can recoup the \$7,500 fee that was donated to the James Bond museum. Mayor Porter stated that he will check in to this matter.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Straley made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Personnel – Possibly to come out and do business and 3 items for personnel – not to come out and do business. Alderman Puglise seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes. Entered into executive session at 8:00P.M. Returned from Executive Session at 8:15P.M.

Alderman Straley made a motion to go back into regular session. Alderman Metz seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Special Hearing Session Liquor License suspension for Rich's Tap was held in Council Chambers at 8:20P.M. Minutes are attached.

Alderman Metz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Prophet seconded the motion with Alderman Prophet, Straley, Metz, Steele, Cook, Lesyna and Puglise voting yes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenene Henson, City Clerk